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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-109)

SUBJECT: SAM ENGLISH, was; etal
MISSING WITNESSES
SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON IMPROPER
ACTIVITIES IN LABOR OR MANAGEMENT FIELD

Re Milwaukee airtel to Bureau 7/16/58.

[redacted] advised SA [redacted] on 7/21/58 that during the week of 7/14-21/58 cars bearing the following licenses entered the CASA DEL SUENO estate:

Ill. 1272665
Ill. 444417
Ill. 2726531

[redacted] advised same date that the [redacted] estate was visited by car bearing Ill. license 2765221 during above period.

For your information.

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SAM BATTAGLIA; GUS ALEX, was.
MISSING WITNESSES
SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON IMPROPER
ACTIVITIES IN THE LABOR OR MANAGEMENT FIELD

Re Milwaukee airtel to Bureau, 7/16/58.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] a private policeman, Lake Geneva, Wis., advised on July 23, 1958 that he believed he knew GUS ALEX of Chicago, Illinois and that he has not seen ALEX in the Lake Geneva area. [redacted] advised that [redacted] a widow who resides in a large home at [redacted] Lake Geneva, Wisconsin may be a relative of ROSS PRIO. [redacted] lives at Lake Geneva during summers only and her Chicago address is [redacted] Suggest Chicago determine if [redacted] is related to PRIO.

[redacted] Geneva Lake Civic Association, Walworth, Wisconsin advised from records of the above organization that [redacted] Lake Geneva has been a member of the Lake Geneva Yacht Club since 7/9/58. [redacted] business address listed as [redacted] Chicago, Illinois and home address listed as St. Mary's Road, Libertyville, Illinois. [redacted] Lake Geneva has been member of Lake Geneva Yacht Club and Civic Association since 1955. [redacted] family are permanent residents at Lake Geneva. [redacted] business address listed as Insurance--100 W. Monroe St., Chicago, Illinois.

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Tele. Room
Mr. Holloman
Miss Gandy

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-620)

SUBJECT: SAM ENGLISH, ET AL
MISSING WITNESSES
SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE

Remyairtel 7/18/58.

[redacted] Attorney, 1 North LaSalle, CG, CHICAGO telephonically advised this office yesterday that he would be talking to GUS ALEX then. [redacted] stated he desired to know the reason the Bureau was interested in ALEX. When so advised, [redacted] mentioned he had handled service of similar subpoenaes for other hoodlums but did not indicate whether he or ALEX would accept service of the subpoena for ALEX.

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Contact with the Senate Select Committee in Chicago and with the USM's Office here has determined that they have not heard from [redacted] or ALEX to date.

As noted in referenced airtel, SIDNEY R. KORSHAK was to be contacted 7/18/58 regarding arrangements to interview his wife concerning her relationship with GUS [redacted] ALEX. KORSHAK was contacted on 7/18/58 late in the afternoon after he had returned by air from New York. He stated his wife was still in California and that as a matter of possible interest, she was having dinner that night with PETER LAWFORD, movie actor, and LAWFORD's wife. KORSHAK then commented "you know who she is". It is noted that Mrs. LAWFORD is a sister of Senator JOHN KENNEDY and of ROBERT KENNEDY. KORSHAK advised his wife will return to Chicago sometime this week and arrangements have been made with him to talk to her at that time.

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TITLE OF CASE
SAM ENGLISH, was.;
ROSS PRIO;
SAM BATTAGLIA;
GUS ALEX, was.

REPORT MADE BY: JOHN S. TEMPLE
TYPED BY: slp

CHARACTER OF CASE
MISSING WITNESSES; SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON IMPROPER ACTIVITIES IN LABOR OR MANAGEMENT FIELD; ANTI-RACKETEERING

SYNOPSIS:

GUS ALEX and his wife [redacted] located at the Beverly Hilton Hotel, Beverly Hills, California, May 31, 1958, Efforts to serve ALEX with a subpoena by Senate Investigator unsuccessful. Investigation Palm Springs, California, disclosed ALEX and his wife as Mr. and Mrs. MICHAEL RYAN, resided at Villa #32, Ocotillo Lodge from June 6 to 9, 1958. No record of ALEX found at Beverly Wilshire Hotel, Beverly Hills Hotel or Bel Air Hotel, all of Beverly Hills, California. Phone calls made by ALEX from the Beverly Hilton Hotel for 1957 set forth and subscribers identified. [redacted] mother of [redacted] Montrose, California, on June 24, 1958, advised she believed her daughter left for Las Vegas, Nevada, on June 23, 1958. She stated the ALEXs were married in Santa Barbara, California, in 1950. No record of marriage license issued in the name of GUS ALEX located in the Los Angeles County Marriage License Index for period 1948-1952. No record of their marriage located in Santa Barbara, California, for the period 1945-1958. [redacted] entertained GUS ALEX and his wife on June 25, 1958, at La Rue's Restaurant, Los Angeles, California. ALEX claimed to be returning to Chicago, Illinois on 6/25 or 6/26/58. SIDNEY KORSHAK on 7/1/58 claimed to have seen ALEX in Chicago on or about 6/27 or 28/58. No record of ALEX located at Los Angeles Police Department

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or Los Angeles Sheriff's Office. ALEX SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS DUE TO HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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DETAILS:

The following investigation is predicated upon a teletype received from the Chicago Office, captioned as above, dated May 31, 1958. The Chicago teletype in brief, requested investigation be conducted to locate GUS ALEX in order that he might be served with a subpoena by the United States Marshal.

On May 31, 1958, at approximately 11:00 A.M. a telephone call was placed to the Beverly Hilton Hotel, Beverly Hills, California, telephone CRestview 4-7777, to one [redacted] Acting Security Officer. [redacted] advised that one G. N. ALEX and a party of one, were registered at the Beverly Hilton Hotel in Room 632. b6 b7C

[redacted] Assistant to the Resident Manager, on May 31, 1958, advised SA TEMPLE his records disclosed that G.N. ALEX and wife, 3460 Downing Street, Glendale, California, checked into the Beverly Hilton Hotel on May 30, 1958, in Room 632. He stated their tentative check out date was June 1, 1958. [redacted] stated that G. N. ALEX had previously registered at the Beverly Hilton Hotel as of June 10, 1957, checking out on June 14, 1957. At this time they gave their permanent address as 9353 South Staling, Evergreen Park, Illinois. He advised his records disclosed that G. N. ALEX was also registered at the hotel as of November 27, 1957, and he remained at the hotel for a four day period. At this time the hotel ascertained the reservations had been made by All Tours and Travel Agency, 11 South La Salle, Chicago, Illinois. b6 b7C

At approximately 1:00 P.M. on May 31, 1958, T-1 advised Mr. ALEX had received numerous incoming calls during the morning of May 31, 1958, one or two of which were from Mexico. At approximately 2:46 P.M., T-1 advised that a [redacted] called Mr. ALEX from the lobby of the hotel, at which time he left a message. T-1 also advised calls originating from Room 632 were made to Churchill 8-2835 and again to OLeander 5-6356. Informant advised that at 3:37 P.M., Mr. ALEX called a Beauty Salon in the vicinity of the Beverly Hilton Hotel, at which time he allegedly talked to [redacted] his wife, advising that [redacted] was picking them up early. Informant noted that Mr. ALEX received a call from [redacted] b6 b7C

and [redacted] at which time ALEX was advised that they, the [redacted] would pick him and his wife up at the hotel at approximately 7:30 P.M. and they would all proceed to dinner at La Rue's, where they would arrive at approximately 8:00 P.M. It should be noted that La Rue's is an exclusive Sunset Strip restaurant, located on Sunset Boulevard and Sunset Place, Los Angeles, California. [redacted] is reported to have said he was "sorry about the bad news." ALEX is reported to have told [redacted] "he was returning tomorrow". Further that he would meet his wife in Las Vegas on Wednesday or Thursday of the following week. b6 b7C

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph telephone directories for the City of Los Angeles were reviewed by SA TEMPLE for any information they might contain concerning [redacted] however, no record of them was found.

On May 31, 1958, at approximately 6:40 P.M., T - 1 advised Mr. ALEX received a telephone call from one THOMAS MULHERIN, who advised Mr. ALEX that he was a representative of the Senate Select Committee and he told ALEX he wanted to serve him with a subpoena. T-1 advised Mr. ALEX told MULHERIN that he must have the wrong man. MULHERIN, however, insisted that he had the right man and he told him he wanted to serve him with a subpoena within the next two hours. MULHERIN was advised by ALEX, that he, ALEX, would contact MULHERIN shortly before 7:30 and he desired MULHERIN's telephone number, which was given to him as NOrmandy 2-1823. T-1 advised that ALEX subsequently checked out of the hotel at approximately 7:10 P.M.

The Los Angeles Division by teletype to the Director, dated June 1, 1958, advised information had been received from THOMAS MULHERIN of the Senate Select Committee that he had attempted to contact ALEX at the Beverly Hilton Hotel in Beverly Hills, California, but ALEX had checked out of the hotel at approximately 7:10 P.M., May 31, 1958, following his call to ALEX at approximately 6:40 P.M. MULHERIN later advised the Los Angeles Division that ALEX had called him at his residence, stating that he, ALEX would get in touch with the Committee through his attorney, name unknown, in Chicago.

No return reservation to Chicago was located for ALEX or wife at the International Airport, Inglewood, California, and his whereabouts as of June 1, 1958, was unknown. The United States Marshal at Los Angeles, California, attempted to serve a subpoena

on ALEX at the residence of [redacted] Montrose, California, on the early morning of June 1, 1958, without success.

The Chicago Division by teletype dated June 16, 1958, disclosed information had been obtained from [redacted] b6 b7C Attorney at Law, whose wife is a close friend of [redacted] that on June 16, 1958, his wife learned that GUS [redacted] ALEX were arriving in Las Vegas either on June 16, 1958 or possibly the night before. [redacted] advised his wife did not know the hotel wherein the ALEXs were staying, but was of the opinion they would stay in a large, expensive delux-type hotel, since they travelled first class at all times. [redacted] advised his wife had received a letter from [redacted] bearing the postmark of Palm Springs, California, the previous week; however, she had learned from another model on June 15, 1958, that the [redacted] were leaving Palm Springs for Las Vegas and would possibly stay there for three or four weeks.

The following investigation was conducted by SA RICHARD S. CLARK at Palm Springs, California:

[redacted] Manager, Western Airlines, advised that due to the pilot strike, Western Airlines had not had a flight from Palm Springs for four months. He advised their next flight to Las Vegas would be June 20, 1958. He did not know what reservations had been made for this flight as the office was closed and the reservation clerk unavailable at the time of contact. He advised that Bonanza Airlines has been operating from the Palm Springs Airport, but explained they had no direct flight to Las Vegas and to travel to Las Vegas by air, it was necessary to fly first to Los Angeles, California. [redacted] explained that trains and buses from Palm Springs to Las Vegas do not travel direct and a transfer must be made at San Bernardino, California, or some other point. b6 b7C

[redacted] Tanner Motor Delivery, 1090 N. Palm Canyon, Palm Springs, California, advised she had no recollection of renting a car to anyone of ALEX's description.

The following persons were contacted and all advised they had no knowledge of anyone of ALEX's description registered in their respective hotels. These individuals noted that many of the major hotels have closed for the summer season and the remaining hotels in Palm Springs have but a limited number of guests:

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[redacted]
Pepper Tree Inn

[redacted]
La Fonda Hotel

[redacted]
Ocotillo Lodge

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[redacted]
La Paz Hotel

[redacted]
Biltmore Hotel

[redacted]
Western Hills Hotel
Indian Wells

On June 17, 1958, the following investigation was conducted by SA STANLEY H. FUEHRER at Palm Springs, California:

On June 17, 1958, [redacted] Agent, Western Airlines, advised he had no reservations for GUS ALEX or his wife, under their various names and advised this couple was unknown to him.

[redacted] Hertz Rent-A-Car, 130 North Indian Avenue, advised he had no record of the ALEXs renting a car from his organization under their various names.

The following hairdressers were contacted for any information they might possess concerning [redacted]

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Thrifty Plaza

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[redacted]
Bullock's Department Store
South Palm Canyon Drive

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[redacted]

Palm Springs, California

On June 19, 1958, [redacted] Ocotillo Lodge, 1111 East Palm Canyon Drive, positively identified photographs of GUS ALEX and his wife, as MICHAEL RYAN and [redacted] who occupied VIlla Number 32, at the Lodge. He noted that Villa Number 32 is leased on a yearly basis by SIDNEY KORSHAK, 134 North La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois. He stated KORSHAK, a wealthy attorney in Chicago, has not occupied his villa for several weeks. He noted the RYANs did not register at the lodge. He stated the RYANS occupied the villa from June 6 through June 9, 1958, and during their stay were visited by [redacted] wealthy shoe manufacturer and [redacted] described as a retired attorney, who resides at [redacted] Palm Springs, California. [redacted] stated he had no other information concerning subject and his wife and he has not heard from them since they left the lodge. He stated he did not know their destination or their present location. [redacted] advised no phone calls were made from Villa Number 32, during the stay of ALEX and his wife.

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[redacted] Ocotillo Lodge, identified the photograph of ALEX as being that of MICHAEL RYAN, who occupied VILLA Number 32. He described [redacted] as an attractive tall, copper blond, well-dressed woman. He stated ALEX drove a white Mark III Lincoln continental car, with Illinois license, the number of which he did not recall.

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On June 11, 1958, SA TEMPLE contacted [redacted] Assistant Manager, Beverly Wilshire Hotel, Beverly Hills, California, for any information concerning [redacted] or his wife, since it is known that many individuals from the Chicago area, who are engaged in the rackets, sometimes frequent the Beverly Wilshire Hotel. A review of all registrations for the year 1957-1958 disclosed no information concerning a registration in the name of GUS ALEX, with aliases.

On June 11, 1958, [redacted] Manager, Santa Valerio Shoe Repair, 9553 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California, recalled mailing a pair of lady's shoes to Chicago, Illinois, for a very attractive, good looking, copper blond woman, whose name he believed was [redacted] He recalled the shoes were paid for in advance by [redacted] Further, she told him that she would be in Chicago to receive the shoes in the very near future.

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On June 11, 1958, [redacted] Assistant to the Resident Manager, Beverly Hilton Hotel, was recontacted by SA TEMPLE, at which time all registrations possessed by the hotel in the name of G. N. ALEX were reviewed. It was found that ALEX occupied Room 602 for a four-day period on November 27, 1957; Room 438 from June 10, to June 14, 1957; and Room 632 on May 30, 1957, for one night only.

[redacted] made it possible for SA TEMPLE to examine all outgoing phone calls originating from the Beverly Hilton Hotel on the following dates: It was found that on May 30, 1957, no calls originated from ALEX's room at the Beverly Hilton Hotel. On June 10, 1957, no calls originated from the ALEX room of the Beverly Hilton Hotel. On June 11, 1957, a call was placed to CH 8-2835, La Crescenta, California. It should be noted this number was called on June 12, 1957, and June 13, 1957, and the phone is in the name of [redacted] Montrose, California. On June 12, 1957, ALEX called GA 4-3839, Evergreen Park, Illinois, at 8:25 A.M. On June 13, 1957, ALEX called MI 2-6050 at 4:55 P.M. at Chicago. On November 30, 1957, calls were placed to the residence of [redacted] On November 30, 1957, a call was placed from the ALEX room at the Beverly Hilton Hotel to Ryan 1-0244. On November 28, 1957, a call was placed from ALEXs' room 602, to GArfield 4-3839, Evergreen Park, Illinois.

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On June 17, 1958, SE JAMES L. MAHAN was advised by T-2 that RYAN 1-0244 was associated with the phone number SY 60286 and was assigned to [redacted] Pontiac Company, 711 East Colorado Street, Pasadena, California. The phone number was disconnected on May 9, 1958, and the final bill was directed to Roland Chiro Pontiac Company, in care of Peter Epstein Pontiac, 7501 Lincoln Avenue, Skokie, Illinois.

On June 24, 1958, [redacted] Street, Montrose, California, was interviewed by SAs W. YATES WEBB and JOHN S. TEMPLE for any information she might have concerning the present whereabouts of her daughter, [redacted] and her husband. [redacted] advised she returned to Los Angeles on Saturday, June 21, 1958 from Wyoming, where she had been visiting for the past month with one of her daughters. She stated she had little information concerning the present whereabouts of her daughter, [redacted]

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By way of background data, [redacted] stated that her daughter was married to GUS ALEX in Santa Barbara, California in 1950 and she was of the opinion the marriage license was obtained in Los Angeles, California. She stated her daughter, a model by trade, was born in Schuyler, Nebraska, in 1924. She went to Chicago, Illinois, at the age of 17 to become a model.

[redacted] stated she has lived in Los Angeles, California for the past 15 years. She noted her daughter has never lived in Los Angeles, except for occasional visits. [redacted] who was not found to be totally cooperative, advised she had no idea as to the nature of Mr. ALEX's employment. She found him to be a very gentle person and thought very highly of him. She knew of no marital rifts ever occurring between Mr. ALEX and her daughter and stated to the best of her knowledge they had a very happy marriage. b6 b7C

[redacted] noted that she visited at the ALEX residence in Chicago approximately five years ago, for a period of two weeks at their apartment, 4300 Notth Marine, Chicago, Illinois. She recalled that the address 4300 North Marine, Chicago 13, is the only address known to her concerning her daughter. [redacted] stated that while in Los Angeles, her daughter and husband, frequently used the RYAN family Chevrolet; however, she was of the opinion that in 1950, ALEX drove a Jaguar and she is of the opinion that either he or her daughter presently drives a late model Chevrolet.

[redacted] stated her daughter was at her home on June 23, 1958. Further that on the same day, at approximately 11:00 A.M., she and her daughter drove to Perrino's, an exclusive Los Angeles restaurant at which time they had lunch with one [redacted] California, a close friend of [redacted] Further that [redacted] drove [redacted] to the Los Angeles International Airport following lunch at which time [redacted] proceeded to Las Vegas, Nevada. [redacted] noted her daughter generally stays at the Sands Hotel or [redacted] Desert Inn. She stated that to the best of her knowledge, Mr. ALEX was in Chicago, Illinois, but, as in the past, would probably join his wife at Las Vegas, Nevada. [redacted] was positive in her statement that ALEX was not with his wife in Los Angeles, California, as of June 23, 1958. b6 b7C

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[redacted] son of [redacted] was interviewed for information concerning GUS ALEX and his wife. [redacted] a recent graduate from the University of California at Los Angeles and who is now a member of the Armed Forces, stationed at Fort Ord, California, recalled seeing his sister, [redacted] at the family residence, [redacted] Montrose, California, on May 31, 1958. He also recalled she was contacted by a United States Marshal, name unknown, on June 1, 1958. He stated he did not know the outcome of this visit by the United States Marshal at their residence, since he and several other young members of the Armed Forces were leaving immediately for Fort Ord. [redacted] stated he visited GUS ALEX in Chicago in 1957 and he was of the belief that ALEX was in some way connected with beer distribution in the Chicago, Illinois area. He stated ALEX was not a gambler and disapproved of his going to the race tracks.

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[redacted] stated the only friend he knows of that ALEX has in the Los Angeles area is [redacted] a wealthy shoe manufacturer. [redacted] did not know of any business connections ALEX might have in the Los Angeles area.

[redacted] and his mother, [redacted] were of the belief that following a visit to Las Vegas, Nevada, the ALEXs would return to Chicago, Illinois. They were unable to furnish any other information concerning [redacted] In connection with a statement by [redacted] that a United States Marshal had been at his residence on the morning on June 1, 1958, it should be noted that [redacted] United States Marshal, Los Angeles, California, telephonically advised the Los Angeles Office at 8:15 A.M. on June 1, 1958, that he proceeded to the International Airport, Inglewood, California, at approximately 5:00 A.M. June 1, 1958, at which time he obtained a subpoena for Mr. ALEX. He stated he then proceeded to 3460 Downing Street, Montrose, California, where he remained until approximately 7:30 to 7:45, at which time he went to the house in an attempt to serve the subpoena. He stated an unidentified woman talked to him through a peep hole in the front door. She advised him ALEX was not there, had not been there and she could furnish no additional information concerning him

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[redacted] stated that as he left, a young man in his early twenties arrived at the house in a sportscar. This individual who he did not identify, but who seems to be identical with [redacted] stated that ALEX had not been at the [redacted] residence.

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Reference is made to the statement by [redacted] to the effect that [redacted] had been married to GUS ALEX in 1950 in Southern California. On June 25, 1958, SE [redacted] reviewed the records of the Los Angeles County Marriage License Index for the period 1948-1952, but no record of a marriage license being issued to ALEX was found.

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On June 30, 1958, SA THOMAS H. THORNTON contacted [redacted] Clerk, County Recorder's Office, Santa Barbara, California, who advised she could locate no record of a marriage for GUS ALEX [redacted]

SA THORNTON stated [redacted] check covered the period 1945-1958. [redacted] stated that the ALEXs may have been married in Santa Barbara on a marriage license issued in some other county. Further, that if this were so, the record of marriage would have been forwarded to the county which issued the license and no record would be maintained at Santa Barbara, California.

On June 20, 1958, the Chicago Division by airtel to the Director advised information had been received which disclosed GUS ALEX might be with SIDNEY KORSHAK. Further, investigation conducted in the Chicago Division disclosed that KORSHAK was out of town. Los Angeles was requested to determine whether or not telephone numbers in Palm Springs, California, might disclose the whereabouts of ALEX. A check in this regard was also requested to be made at the Beverly Hills Hotel in Beverly Hills, California, since it is known that KORSHAK frequently stays at the Beverly Hills Hotel.

SA STANLEY H. FUEHRER caused a check to be made of the Palm Springs, California, telephone directory for December, 1956, which disclosed that the telephone number 2345 was assigned to the Racquet Club, 2743 North Indian Avenue, which is owned and managed by [redacted] The Palm Springs number 2005 is listed in the name of [redacted] It was noted the foregoing numbers are no longer current. Further that [redacted] presently has an unlisted phone number.

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On June 23, 1958, a check was made with [redacted] -Manager of the exclusive Bel Air Hotel, Stone Canyon Road, West Los Angeles, by SA TEMPLE. It was found

that no registration was available concerning GUS ALEX and his wife under their true names or aliases. Further, there was no record of SIDNEY R. KORSHAK staying at the hotel.

Frequent checks were made at the residence of [redacted] Bel Air, West Los Angeles, for a vehicle resembling a white Lincoln, with a black top, which was driven by GUS ALEX at Palm Springs, California, in June, 1958; however, the vehicle was not observed.

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The Chicago Division by airtel dated June 20, 1958, noted that KORSHAK in January, 1957, called collect from Beverly Hills, California, phone CRestview 6-8005. The records of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company disclosed that CRestview 6-8005 is assigned to Hagues Men's Store, 324 North Rodeo, Beverly Hills, California.

On June 27, 1958, [redacted] Manager, 324 North Rodeo, advised he knew SIDNEY KORSHAK as a frequent customer, who lived in Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] examined a photgraph of GUS ALEX but advised that ALEX was unknown to him.

On June 27, 1958, [redacted] Assistant Manager, Beverly Hills Hotel, Beverly Hills, California, was contacted for any information he might have concerning KORSHAK or subject ALEX and his wife. A review of the records maintained by the hotel disclosed that KORSHAK resided at the hotel for a two week period in April, 1958. His addresses were given as 2970 Lakeshore, Chicago, and 134 North La Salle, Chicago.

[redacted] noted that KORSHAK is very well known at the Beverly Hills Hotel, inasmuch as he is a frequent guest there. Mr. FARRELL stated that subject ALEX as [redacted] is unknown to the Beverly Hills Hotel.

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On July 1, 1958, [redacted] a wealthy shoe manufacturer [redacted] of [redacted] shoe stores, was interviewed at his office, located at 8366 Beverly Drive, Los Angeles, California, by SAs TEMPLE and [redacted]

[redacted] stated he first met GUS ALEX and his wife in October or November, 1956, on a boat going to Europe. At this time ALEX was en route to Italy to visit a member of his family, who he said was in serious health. [redacted] advised that while having dinner at La Rue's Restaurant, Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, at approximately 7:30 P.M. on the evening of June 25, 1958, he observed ALEX and his wife enter the restaurant.

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[redacted] stated he invited the ALEXs to join him for dinner. Following dinner, the party proceeded to the Mocambo, an exclusive nightclub, at which time, they witnessed the opening JIMMY DURANTE show. They were joined by [redacted] a New York boxing promoter and several other guests, who [redacted] no longer can recall. [redacted] stated that ALEX and his wife arose from the table at approximately 11:30 or 11:45 P.M. on June 25, 1958, and upon leaving told [redacted] they were returning to Chicago either that night or the following day. [redacted] noted that ALEX is very difficult to talk to and is somewhat of a social bore. He stated he never discusses his business or his destinations. [redacted] did recall, however, that ALEX discussed a new Karl's Shoe Store, which he and his wife observed in Victorville, California, on June 24, 1958. It should be noted that Victorville is on the main highway to and from Las Vegas, Nevada. [redacted] noted that ALEX had a deep tan and he was of the opinion that ALEX had been vacationing in a desert resort area.

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[redacted] advised that as a matter of fact, ALEX and his wife had been in Palm Springs in the first part of June, 1958, and he knew this to be true, inasmuch as ALEX told him he had taken baths at the Desert Hot Springs, California.

[redacted] was questioned as to whether or not ALEX was an associate of [redacted] advised he knew that ALEX knew [redacted] quite well and that [redacted] a "retired" bookmaker, who lived in Palm Springs, was presently living in the Sunset Towers, Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

[redacted] advised that ALEX is interested in automobiles, and thinks nothing of driving from Chicago to Miami, or from Chicago to the West Coast. He prefers high speed cars and will put special equipment on a car to make it fast.

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[redacted] was quested as to whether or not he knew if ALEX drove a Mark III, white Lincoln continental. [redacted] stated that this car, which has a black top, was formerly his, and is now the property of SIDNEY KORSHAK. [redacted] stated the car bears Illinois license 1428 and is probably stored at the Beverly Hills Hotel, Beverly Hills, California.

The Chicago Division by teletype dated July 2, 1958, disclosed that a 1957 black over white lincoln with Illinois license 1428 is, according to the records of the State of Illinois Motor Vehicle Divison, the property of SIDNEY KORSHAK; however the

number is 1424 rather than 1428.

[redacted] advised the interviewing Agents that he would "stake his life" on the fact that ALEX is not in the Los Angeles area, but is in Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] advised that should ALEX be living in the Los Angeles area, he would probably to staying at the Bel Air Hotel or some similar exclusive hostelry.

On July 1, 1958, a recheck was made at the Beverly Hills Hotel through [redacted] Assistant Manager for information concerning ALEX, but no information was found. [redacted] advised that SIDNEY KORSHAK checked into the hotel on June 29, 1958, with one [redacted] who shared his suite. b6 b7C

[redacted] advised on July 1, 1958, that KORSHAK called Chicago RA 6-2038 at 7:15 A.M. He also called [redacted] Tropicana Hotel on June 20, 1958 at Las Vegas. On July 1, 1958, Mr. KORSHAK was observed by SA [redacted] telephoning from a public pay phone in the Beverly Hills Hotel. It was later established that KORSHAK utilizes public pay phones rather than the phone in the hotel suite he occupies.

[redacted] who was acquainted with KORSHAK from a previous investigation conducted by the FBI in connection with the [redacted] kidnapping case, was greeted by KORSHAK with considerable friendliness. KORSHAK immediately told [redacted] that he had been advised by his Chicago Office on July 1, 1958, that a contact had been made at his office in Chicago by a Special Agent of the FBI concerning the whereabouts of GUS ALEX. KORSHAK stated he saw ALEX in Chicago, approximately four days previously walking down the street in the immediate vicinity of ALEX's residence (June 27 or 28, 1958). b6 b7C

KORSHAK stated he planned to return to Chicago in three or four days at which time he would attempt to contact ALEX and have him call the FBI. KORSHAK stated he did not claim any attorney-client privilege for ALEX, inasmuch as ALEX was not a client of his.

KORSHAK advised SA [redacted] he originally met ALEX through Mrs. KORSHAK, who is a very close and dear friend of Mrs. ALEX and he noted the two women frequently modeled together or fill in for each other's modeling engagements. b6 b7C

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KORSHAK stated that ALEX was in California during the first week or two of June, 1958, and he recalled giving ALEX permission to drive his automobile and to use his suite at the Ocotillo Lodge in Palm Springs, California. KORSHAK stated that ALEX's whereabouts in Chicago is unknown to him providing of course he is not living at his, ALEX's, apartment on North Marine Drive.

T-3 on July 2, 1958, advised KORSHAK was called on July 1, 1958, by [redacted] from El Rancho Vegas, Las Vegas, Nevada.

On July 1, 1958, SAs [redacted] and TEMPLE proceeded to the residence of [redacted] b6 b7C Street, Montrose, California, with the intention of reinterviewing [redacted] for any information she might have concerning the present whereabouts of her daughter. A lady, who introduced herself as [redacted] from Inglewood, California," appeared to be the only person occupying the [redacted] residence in Montrose. She spoke to the Agents through a peep hole in the door. She was found to be totally uncooperative. She did state, however, that her mother, [redacted] was presently living in Long Beach, California, and would not return to Montrose until August 1, 1958. She refused to furnish the residence wherein [redacted] is presently living. She refused not only to furnish her mother's residence address, but also her own in Inglewood, California. She stated she had no idea as to the present whereabouts of Mr. ALEX or his sister. She also demanded to know why she should answer any questions asked her by the FBI.

Accordingly, in view of her hostile and uncooperative attitude the interview with [redacted] was discontinued.

T-2 on July 2, 1958, advised SE [redacted] it was found that on June 16, 1958, a call was placed from the RYAN residence to one [redacted] of Worland, Wyoming, phone number FI 7-4800. Further on June 29, 1958, a collect call was received from a [redacted] at ORchard 4-8166, Los Angeles, California.

T-2 on July 2, 1958, advised that ORchard 4-8166 is b6 b7C listed in the name of [redacted] Inglewood, California. It would appear from this information that the [redacted] who talked to the Agents on July 2, 1958, is identical with [redacted] previously identified.

[redacted] neighbor, [redacted] Montrose, California, was exhibited photographs of Mr. ALEX and his wife. She advised ALEX and his wife were unknown to her. b6 b7C

[redacted] Montrose, California, a resident of the neighborhood for the past 20 years, advised the [redacted] family are fairly new in the neighborhood, having moved into the neighborhood some three or four years ago. She stated she had no knowledge whatsoever of the family and photographs of ALEX and his wife were unknown to her.

[redacted] were urged to call the FBI, should any information come to their attention reflecting the fact that ALEX and his wife were residing at the [redacted] residence.

On June 27, 1958, the records of the Los Angeles Police Department and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office were checked for any information they might have concerning GUS ALEX. It was found that no record is contained by the Identification Division of the Los Angeles Police Department and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office insofar as GUS ALEX is concerned.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS, DUE TO HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: JUL 2 5 1958

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-177)

SUBJECT: SAM ENGLISH, was.;
ROSS PRIO;
SAM BATTAGLIA;
GUS ALEX, was.
MISSING WITNESSES, SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON IMPROPER ACTIVITIES IN LABOR OR MANAGEMENT FIELD;
ANTI-RACKETEERING

OO: CHICAGO

Reference report of SA JOHN S. TEMPLE, dated as above at Los Angeles, two copies of which are enclosed herewith.

REFERENCES

Chicago teletype to Los Angeles, dated 5/31/58.
Los Angeles teletype to the Bureau, dated 5/31/58.
Bureau teletype to Los Angeles, dated 5/31/58.
Chicago teletype to the Bureau, dated 6/16/58.
Chicago airtel to Los Angeles, dated 6/17/58.
Chicago airtel to the Bureau, dated 6/18/58.
Airtel from the Director to Chicago, dated 6/25/58.
Chicago airtel to the Director, dated 6/20/58.
Chicago teletype to the Director, dated 7/1/58.
Chicago teletype to the Director, dated 7/2/58.

One copy of this report is being furnished the Salt Lake City Division, inasmuch as investigation is pending in their territory concerning the subject GUS ALEX at Las Vegas, Nevada.

A surveillance was maintained on GUS ALEX on May 31, 1958, at the Beverly Hilton Hotel, Beverly Hills, California. Surveillance logs and the names of the participating agents are being retained in the 1A exhibit envelope of instant file. The surveillance was discontinued by the Los Angeles Division

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following the receipt of a teletype from the Director FBI dated May 31, 1958, which advised that ROBERT KENNEDY, Chief Counsel of the captioned committee advised a Committee Investigator would attempt to serve Mr. ALEX with a subpoena. The Bureau instructed that no participation by Bureau Agents was necessary in the service of the subpoena. The Bureau also advised the surveillance of ALEX as a missing committee witness could be discontinued.

Arrangements have been made with [redacted] Mr. SIDNEY KORSHAK and the Beverly Hills Hotel, Beverly Hills, California, to immediately contact the Los Angeles Division should they receive any information concerning the whereabouts of ALEX and his wife. b6 b7C

The records of the Los Angeles Police Department and Los Angeles Sheriff's Office, were checked by IC [redacted] on June 27, 1958.

LEADS

CHICAGO DIVISION

At Chicago, Illinois: Will advise the Los Angeles Division if and when ALEX is served in order that stops may be removed at the Beverly Hills Hotel, Beverly Hills, California.

LOS ANGELES DIVISION

At Los Angeles, California:

1. Will maintain contact with [redacted] SIDNEY KORSHAK, and the Beverly Hills Hotel for any information they might have concerning the whereabouts of GUS ALEX and his wife, [redacted] b6 b7C

2. Will conduct neighborhood inquiry in the vicinity of [redacted] Inglewood, California, to determine whether or not the ALEX's are currently residing at this address.

3. Will cause the records of the Beverly Hills Police Department to be reviewed for any record they might have concerning subject ALEX.

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ALEX SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS DUE TO HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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TITLE OF CASE

SAM ENGLISH, was.;
ROSS PRIO;
SAM BATTAGLIA;
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Report made by	Typed By:
WILLIAM F. ROEMER, Jr.	kwk

CHARACTER OF CASE

MISSING WITNESSES; SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON IMPROPER ACTIVITIES IN THE LABOR OR MANAGEMENT FIELD

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Synopsis:

Attorney SIDNEY KORSHAK, Illinois State Senator MARSHALL KORSHAK, [redacted] all associates of ALEX, contacted during July and advised to tell ALEX to contact FBI. On 7/22/58, ALEX's wife observed at 4300 North Marine Drive for first time since 5/7/58. On 7/23/58, ALEX was observed approaching that address and was pointed out to Senate Select Committee Investigator [redacted] who served subpoena on ALEX.

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DETAILS:

[redacted] Manager, Murray Hill Apartments, 4300 Marine Drive (also known as 4300 Lake Shore Drive), Chicago, advised on May 29; June 5, 30; and July 9 and 21, 1958, that neither ALEX nor his wife had been seen at his residence since the middle of May, 1958. Mr.

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[redacted] stated that Mr. [redacted] ALEX continued to maintain Apartment 1001 in the Murray Hill Apartments under the name of Mr. [redacted] RYAN. He stated that the rent for June and July of 1958 was paid by an unknown person who came into [redacted] office and laid the rental in cash in a plain envelope in [redacted] desk in his absence. [redacted] was unable to furnish any information concerning the identity of this unknown person. b6 b7C

[redacted] Elevator Operator at 4300 North Marine Drive, advised that [redacted] the wife of GUS ALEX, had not been seen at her apartment since May 7, 1958 and that GUS ALEX had not been seen there as of May 17, 1958. [redacted] was contacted regularly from the middle of May, 1958 through July 21, 1958.

The following investigation was conducted in Cassopolis, Michigan due to the fact that SAM ALEX, brother of GUS ALEX, who was formerly closely associated with him in organized crime in Chicago, owns a farm in that vicinity.

ROBERT DOOL, Chief of Police, Cassopolis, Michigan, advised that SAM TAYLOR (SAM ALEX) owns a farm on Highway M-62, just south of the village limits, and has lived there for about 20 years. The land is actually farmed, but DOOL believes the work is done by a hired man named [redacted] (phonetic). TAYLOR engages in no other type enterprise in the Cassopolis area. He spends most of his time at the farm but is gone occasionally. DOOL does not know where TAYLOR goes when he is absent from Cassopolis. b6 b7C

So far as DOOL knows, people in the area do not know TAYLOR's true identity as SAM ALEX. He has never engaged in any criminal type activity in the area and has never been arrested there. He lives on the farm with his wife, and they have no children. He is highly regarded in the community and has a good reputation there. Both he and his wife are very fond of children, and TAYLOR

does a great deal for the children in the community. At Christmas time he has the practice of leaving boxes of toys on doorsteps, anonymously, and when there is snow on the ground he has the practice of hitching a sled to his tractor and taking children for rides around the school field.

[redacted] is a white male, in his early forties. He is a building contractor and a member of the village council. He is a member of the Union Church at Cassopolis and very active in church affairs. He is a native of Cassopolis and is a reputable and highly regarded businessman. According to DOOL, [redacted] definitely is not engaged in any criminal activities. b6 b7C

[redacted] has a farm about a quarter of a mile from TAYLOR's farm. [redacted] who is about a fifth grade student, became acquainted with TAYLOR, apparently through having visited at the [redacted] farm. TAYLOR has become very fond of the boy, and [redacted] spends considerable time at the TAYLOR farm. TAYLOR frequently calls for the boy at school and drives him home. DOOL stated [redacted] and TAYLOR have undoubtedly become friendly as a result, but that he knows of no other connection between TAYLOR and [redacted] and knows of no connection between GUS ALEX, brother of TAYLOR, [redacted] b6 b7C

There are no homes across the highway from the farm of SAM TAYLOR, and none within a reasonable distance south of TAYLOR's place. The only near neighbor is [redacted] who lives north of TAYLOR's. [redacted] is a very elderly widow who lives alone and would not be in a position to observe persons visiting the TAYLOR farm. b6 b7C

GUS [redacted] ALEX are unknown to DOOL, and he has never seen them in Cassopolis.

The hired man named (FNU) [redacted] who was employed by TAYLOR, is about 19 years old. DOOL states [redacted] has recently been married, and he does not believe [redacted] is employed by TAYLOR at the present time. He stated he does not know enough about [redacted] to recommend a contact with him.

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DOOL considers [redacted] a close friend of SAM TAYLOR, to be reliable and stated that if GUS ALEX were at TAYLOR's place, [redacted] would be certain to know it. [redacted] is a building contractor at Cassopolis. DOOL knows no one else who would know if ALEX should come to TAYLOR's place.

[redacted] Cassopolis, advised as follows:

SAM TAYLOR and he are close friends. He visits with TAYLOR frequently and not less often than once a week. TAYLOR has done many things for [redacted] son, and [redacted] feels indebted to him and would not inform on TAYLOR if he knew anything about him. TAYLOR is very "closed mouthed" and has never told [redacted] anything about himself and has never told [redacted] his real name, although [redacted] from talking to others in the area and from reading newspapers, is aware of TAYLOR's true identity.

[redacted] has met GUS [redacted] ALEX through TAYLOR, but when introduced TAYLOR did not tell him their true names. He is aware that TAYLOR's brother GUS, is GUS ALEX and has read in the paper that ALEX is being sought by a senate committee for questioning.

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[redacted] has seen GUS ALEX and his wife at TAYLOR's several times in the past but has not seen either of them at TAYLOR's during the present year. He is positive they are not at TAYLOR's farm at the present time and states he has no idea of their present whereabouts. [redacted] is sure that GUS ALEX, if he is evading service of a subpoena, would not take a chance of compromising his brother in such a way.

In 1957, GUS ALEX executed an application for an apartment in Chicago. On the application, he furnished SIDNEY KORSHAK, 134 North La Salle, Chicago, as a reference and a letter from KORSHAK dated April 25, 1957 recommending ALEX as a man of excellent financial responsibility was received by the manager of the apartment building.

On July 14, 1958, SIDNEY R. KORSHAK, who resides at 2970 Lake Shore Drive and who maintains offices at 134 North La Salle Street, Chicago, advised SA WILLIAM F. ROEMER that he is a friend of GUS ALEX but only due to the fact that his wife, [redacted] is a close friend of ALEX's wife, [redacted] KORSHAK noted that both [redacted] are prominent models in Chicago.

KORSHAK stated that he does not represent GUS ALEX as an attorney in any way and that he has no business connection with him. b6 b7C

KORSHAK advised that in early May, 1958, [redacted] told him that she was going to Glendale, California, to visit her mother. KORSHAK stated that since he keeps a car, a 1958 white Lincoln Continental Mark III, at the garage of the Beverly Hills Hotel in Beverly Hills, California, he telephonically contacted the Beverly Hills Hotel and authorized them to allow [redacted] the use of the car while she was in the Los Angeles area.

KORSHAK further advised that he saw ALEX in Chicago on Lake Shore Drive around Belmont on Saturday, approximately July 1, 1958. He said that ALEX was heading north toward his residence in a Chevrolet or Pontiac and that they waved at each other but exchanged no other greeting.

KORSHAK advised that he is extremely displeased with the harassment and embarrassment which he, his wife, his brother, and friends are being put due to the

investigation on GUS ALEX. He stated that he realized that if ALEX were to accept the subpoena of the Senate Rackets Committee that much of this "heat" would be extinguished. He said, therefore, he was going to do his best to determine if he could not contact ALEX and "give him a little free legal advice" in an attempt to influence ALEX to accept the subpoena. KORSHAK was then asked if he had such power over ALEX. He stated that he did not have such power but that he would use any influence over ALEX which he might possess.

SIDNEY KORSHAK was recontacted by SA ROEMER telephonically on July 18, 1958, and he advised that he had not been able to get his "free legal advice" to ALEX as yet and that he had no information as to the possible whereabouts of ALEX or his wife.

In executing the application referred to above, GUS ALEX claimed employment with Senator KORSHAK, 134 North La Salle, Chicago, for five years at a salary in excess of $15,000 a year. A letter received by the manager of the apartment building for which ALEX executed the application from MARSHALL KORSHAK, Illinois State Senator, dated April 26, 1957, recommending ALEX as a man of excellent financial responsibility.

MARSHALL KORSHAK, Attorney and Illinois State Senator, 134 North La Salle, Chicago, advised SAs [redacted] and ROEMER on July 2, 1958, that he has had no association whatsoever with ALEX. He stated that he knows who "GUSSIE" ALEX is from reading about him in the newspapers, from seeing him in restaurants such as Fritzel's in Chicago, and from seeing him on the street. He stated that he never had any social contact with ALEX and that he has never represented ALEX as an attorney. b6 b7C

After the above information was obtained from KORSHAK, it was pointed out to him that ALEX has claimed employment with him for the past five years.

KORSHAK then stated that he had no idea "GUSSIE" ALEX would claim employment with him and that such a claim is completely false. He stated that he has never employed ALEX in any capacity and reiterated that he has never had any connection with him, business or social.

KORSHAK then stated that he knows from his brother, SIDNEY R. KORSHAK, above, that [redacted] is a friend of [redacted] but he, MARSHALL KORSHAK, and his wife have never had any relationship whatsoever with either GUS [redacted] ALEX. b6 b7C

MARSHALL KORSHAK stated that the last time he saw ALEX was approximately the first part of June, 1958, when he observed him on the street outside the building at 134 North La Salle. He stated the next time he sees ALEX he will advise him of the FBI's interest in locating him and attempt to influence him in surrendering himself for service of the subpoena by the Senate Select Committee. However, he again stressed that he does not know GUS ALEX personally.

[redacted] a prominent automobile dealer whose business is located at 1510 North Clark Street in Chicago, has been known to lend several cars to GUS ALEX for his personal use and to maintain a fleet of automobiles for the use of such people as ALEX and EDDIE VOGEL, another top hoodlum in the Chicago Office.

On July 2, 1958, [redacted] was interviewed at his place of business at 1510 North Clark Street, Chicago, by SAs [redacted] and RALPH R. HILL. [redacted] in a very cordial tone and manner praised the FBI; stated that he would like his son to be an FBI agent; and when questioned about GUS ALEX said "I have nothing to say". [redacted] would not admit to knowing ALEX and when asked concerning the nature of his relationship with ALEX stated he would make no comment. b6 b7C

SA ROEMER has observed GUS ALEX in the company of, and in conversation with, [redacted] and other information has been developed showing that [redacted] is the chauffeur-body guard of GUS ALEX.

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On July 17, 1958, [redacted] was interviewed by SAs [redacted] and ROEMER in the rear of the Chicago Beach Hotel, 5011 South Cornell, Chicago, [redacted] residence.

[redacted] refused to admit that he knew ALEX. He remained steadfast throughout the interview in denying that he has ever known ALEX in any capacity. Even after having been told where and under what circumstances he had been seen by SA ROEMER with ALEX, he continued to deny that he knew him. Even when called a "liar" by SA ROEMER, he denied any knowledge of ALEX.

GUS ALEX is known to have spent considerable time at Celano Tailors, 620 North Michigan. Information has been developed that this is a well-known hangout and meeting place for top level hoodlums in the Chicago area. It is also noted that ALEX was once arrested at Celano Tailors in the company of JAKE "GREASY THUMB" GUZIK.

On July 14, 1958, [redacted] Celano Tailors, also was interviewed by SAs [redacted] and ROEMER. It is noted that ALEX used [redacted] as a reference and as a person who knew him for the past fifteen years when applying for a passport in 1949, as has previously been reported. [redacted] stated that he does not know GUS ALEX, has never heard of him, and would not know GUS ALEX if ALEX walked into the store at the moment of the interview. Information was conveyed to [redacted] that ALEX had used him as a reference in an application which he had executed, and [redacted] continued to deny that he had ever known ALEX. [redacted] attention was turned to [redacted] statements in this regard and asked whether [redacted] and ALEX knew each other. [redacted] stated that he was not aware of any association on the part of [redacted] with ALEX. [redacted] was then asked whether ALEX had ever been in the store at the same time ALEX had been in the store, and he replied that he did not know.

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On July 21, 1958, [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, an attorney, contacted SA [redacted] and he advised that he understood the FBI was looking for GUS ALEX. [redacted] stated that he was going to talk to ALEX sometime on July 21, 1958, and he desired to know the reason the Bureau was interested in ALEX, in order that he might convey such information to ALEX. b6 b7C

[redacted] was advised by SA [redacted] that ALEX was being sought as a missing witness by the Senate Select Committee who desire to serve a subpoena on ALEX. [redacted] stated that he had handled these matters for other persons being sought by congressional committees and stated that he would convey this information to ALEX. He did not indicate whether ALEX would accept the service of a subpoena or whether he would accept the subpoena for ALEX as he did for MURRAY HUMPHRIES. b6 b7C

On July 22, 1958, at 11:45 AM, [redacted] was observed at the Murray Hill Apartments, 4300 North Marine Drive, Chicago, Illinois by SA ROEMER. Thereupon, contact was made to [redacted] Investigator, Senate Select Committee. [redacted] was advised that ALEX possibly had returned to Chicago and that the Senate Select Committee should be prepared to effect service of a subpoena on him upon receipt of further word from this office. b6 b7C

On July 22, 1958, at 6:00 PM, [redacted] was again observed at the Murray Hill Apartments by SA ROEMER. Investigator [redacted] was again contacted and he joined the surveillance maintained by this office at 4300 North Marine Drive. At 6:48 PM, GUS ALEX was observed in a 1958 black Mercedes - Benze at the intersection of Montrose Avenue and Marine Drive, approximately ½ block from the Murray Hill Apartments. ALEX was extremely cautious as to the possibility of a surveillance, remaining in the intersection for just

a minute and carefully observed his surroundings. He then turned towards the driveway at the Murray Hill Apartments, driving very slowly and looking in all directions. As he drove into the driveway of the Murray Hill Apartments, a Bureau car occupied by SAs HILL and AUGUST J. KEMPFF blocked the drive while a Bureau car driven by SA ROEMER pulled into the driveway behind ALEX. ALEX was thereupon pointed out to Investigator [redacted] who then approached him. [redacted] asked ALEX whether he was "GUS ALEX". When ALEX denied his identity it was indicated to [redacted] that ALEX was lying and [redacted] then dropped the subpoena into ALEX's lap, it being noted that ALEX had the top down on the Mercedes - Benze he was driving.

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The license number on the car operated by ALEX on this occasion was 2165-459. The records of the Department of Motor Vehicles, Secretary of State of Illinois, reflect that this car is registered to [redacted] Chicago. For information regarding SUSK, see above.

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REFERENCE

Report of SA WILLIAM F. ROEMER, Jr. dated July 15, 1958 at Chicago.

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[redacted] ANTITRUST DIVISION, CHICAGO, ADVISED HIS LETTER REQUESTING ANTITRUST INVESTIGATION OF CHICAGO JUKEBOX INDUSTRY, SUBMITTED OCTOBER 26 LAST WITH MEMO SAME DATE OF [redacted] CHIEF OF CHICAGO FIELD OFFICE DIRECTED TO [redacted] CHIEF OF FIELD OPERATIONS. [redacted] ADVISED HIS SUPERIOR STATED IF ORGANIZED CRIME UNIT OF DEPARTMENT DESIRES COPY OF ABOVE MEMO, THEY MUST REQUEST IT FROM [redacted] ASSISTANT AG, ANTITRUST DIVISION. [redacted] VERY ENTHUSIASTIC OVER PROSPECTIVE INVESTIGATION. BUREAU REQUESTED TO ALERT ORGANIZED CRIME UNIT OF DEPARTMENT TO EXISTENCE OF ABOVE MEMO.

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KEY WITNESS SURRENDERS IN RACKET PROBE

Chicago Bookie Faces Quiz

SYNDICATE POWER TOLD

"The police wouldn't dare touch that dice game—it belongs to the syndicate," Tribune reporters are told by a saloon keeper. Story on page 2.

BY SANDY SMITH

A crime syndicate gambler sought for months as a key witness in the Senate rackets committee probe of gangster influence in the Chicago restaurant industry, surrendered to committee agents Saturday.

Sam [Butch] English, 41, a bookmaker and convicted burglar, appeared in the United States courthouse to accept a subpena for appearance before the committee in Washington this week.

Mum on Duties

However, English refused to tell committee investigators what duties he performed when he was hired as an adviser by Anthony V. Champagne, labor counsel for the Chicago Restaurant association in 1953 and 1954.

Champagne accompanied Sam English and English's

Sam English.

brother, Charles, 42, a crime syndicate lieutenant, to the courthouse. Another member of the group was Harry Accardi, who manages the 5th Jack club, 3340 5th av., owned by the English brothers.

Champagne and Sam English had significant roles in the labor relations of the Chicago Restaurant association, one of the targets of the Senate hearings which will begin Tuesday.

Successor to Teitelbaum

An attorney who has represented top hoodlums, Champagne became the $120,000 a year counsel for the restaurant group in 1953 when another labor attorney, Abraham Teitelbaum, was unable to settle a strike called against the Marquis chain of restaurants.

With English as his adviser, Champagne settled the strike without organization of the restaurants by the Hotel and Restaurant Employees union, 10 N. Wells st. English was paid $1,600 by Champagne from January to July, 1954.

After Sam English accepted his subpena, his brother and Champagne were questioned by other Senate agents investigating hoodlum infiltration of the coin machine and juke box industry.

Plan to Unmask Control

Charles English, who lives at 1834 S. Austin av., Cicero, is the owner of a Chicago coin machine route and a phonograph record distributing company. He was arrested last February on a charge of counterfeiting popular records in what police said was an attempt to monopolize the distribution of records to Chicago juke box operators.

In Washington, Chairman John L. McClellan [D., Ark.] said the committee hearings will "present a revealing picture of the extent to which racketeers were able to control and operate the Chicago restaurant industry thru fear, intimidation, and shakedowns."

A former attorney for the Capone family, Teitelbaum will be among the first witnesses, McClellan announced. Louis Romano, an associate of syndicate gangsters, will be called after Teitelbaum. During Teitelbaum's tenure as labor counsel of the restaurant association, Romano was his "adviser."

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